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ONE ARIZONA EDUCATOR TO BE SURPRISED WITH A MILKEN FAMILY FOUNDATION \$25,000 AWARD – SUPERINTENDENT TOM HORNE AND MILKEN REPRESENTATIVE TO PRESENT AWARD TO UNSUSPECTING EDUCATOR

TUCSON (Wednesday, November 1, 2006) -- Arizona School Superintendent Tom Horne on Thursday, November 2, 2006 in Tucson will present a \$25,000 Milken Family Foundation award to one unsuspecting Arizona educator.

“I have participated in several Milken award ceremonies before, and there is nothing quite like watching a surprise recipient receive a \$25,000 check,” said Horne.

The largest teacher recognition program in the U.S., the Milken Family Foundation National Educator Awards was established in 1985 to reward, retain and attract outstanding K-12 educators to the profession. Since that time, the foundation has given over \$56 million in awards, celebrating the achievements of more than 2,200 educators throughout the country.

WHO: SUPERINTENDENT TOM HORNE AND MILKEN FAMILY FOUNDATION TO PRESENT \$25,000 TO UNSUSPECTING EDUCATOR

WHEN: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2006

TIME: 9:30 – 10:30 A.M.

**WHERE: PUEBLO GARDENS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2210 EAST 33RD STREET
TUCSON, AZ 85713**

Note: Please help maintain secrecy, as surprise is one of the key elements of this story. The recipient will not know he/she is being honored until the name is revealed before an assembly of students, faculty, local education and state officials. The assembly is ostensibly to honor Pueblo Gardens Elementary as a highly performing school.

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